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PATENT APPLICATION  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICATION OF

HORST BERNETH ET AL

SERIAL NUMBER: 09/960,625

FILED: SEPTEMBER 20, 2001

TITLE: OPTICAL DATA MEDIUM CONTAINING,  
IN THE INFORMATION LAYER, A  
PHthalOCYANINE DYE AS A LIGHT-  
ABSORBING COMPOUND

) GROUP NO.: 1756

) EXAMINER:  
) M. J. ANGEBRANDT

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(A)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sirs:

Applicants, by the undersigned attorney, respectfully petition the Commissioner for Patents under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for filing their response so that the Request for Continued Examination filed simultaneously with this Petition will be considered timely filed.

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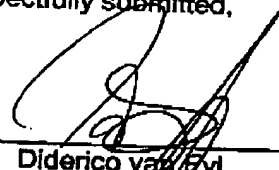
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Signature  
April 7, 2005  
Date

Please charge the fee for response within the second month, \$450.00, to Deposit Account Number 50-2527. This paper is also authorization to charge any insufficiency of fees due with this filing to Deposit Account Number 50-2527.

Respectfully submitted,

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